

## BOY SLAYERS STILL AT LARGE

DETECTIVES MAKE VAIN SEARCH FOR THE TRIO.

A Red Head the Only Clue in Murder of Sammie Mandelstam, Killed for a Cent in a Candy Shop East Side Gang Spirit Hampers the Detectives.

Somewhere in dark rooms of tenements on the edge of Cherry Hill are the three boys who beat Sammie Mandelstam to death on Saturday for the cent that he had and would not give away. All the boys that knew Sammie know those who killed him, and yet until the three venture to the street they may stay off arrest, for the arching of the streets are the custom of their elders who shoot and kill in gangs and won't tell.

The neighborhood around the little candy store at 63 Market street, outside which Sammie died, is a mixed one. A few Irish families are left in the tenements that swarm with Jews and Italians. The elders of the races dwell together with apparent amity, but among their children who run the street and gather on the corners is nourished the spirit of discord that breaks out now and then in a fierce little street fight which lasts until a policeman swings his stick and threatens to lock 'em all up if they don't go home and be good.

Sammie was a part of this street life. There was no regular gang for him to belong to, but when quarrels started Sammie picked his side and fought with the best of them until he was either worsted or the other side ran. He shot scraps when he had a few coins and browbeat boys younger than himself, as he was in turn harried by those older than himself.

And the instinct of the boy of the street which leads him to rob and beat one younger than himself was the cause of Sammie's death. For Sammie had a cent which a red headed boy 2 years older wanted—and he got it. Sammie was in the little candy store when the red headed boy came in with two others. They made Sammie empty his pockets and when they had the cent started for the street. But Sammie put up a fight for his cent and one of the boys hit him over the head with a bluegum which he had picked up in the gutter. Sammie died a few minutes later.

Little Max Green, who was waiting on the soda fountain in the candy store, and his brother's sister-in-law, Julia Beckerman, saw the boys who killed Sammie, but Julia doesn't know them and Max says he doesn't. Rose Levy, the janitress of the tenement in which the candy store, saw Sammie fall and chased one of the boys as far as Cherry street. But she didn't know who she was chasing.

When Lakia and some of his brother detectives got to the candy store they gathered in all the small boys they could find who had seen Sammie killed and tried to get from them the names of the three who did it. Yes, the red headed boy had been around for months and they had played with him and with his two companions. Yes, they had called him something, but they didn't know his name. Honest, Mr. Detective, they didn't. Lakia and the other detectives coaxed, cajoled and threatened, and got nothing except descriptions. It was as bad as when a gang of young toughs got to shooting up a rival gang and the injured refused to name their assailants.

So the detectives gave it up, and armed with the descriptions are going to hang around the neighborhood until they find the red headed boy. But there are lots of red headed boys, Jews, Italians and Irish.

## MOTORISTS AFTER WEEKS.

Squire Who Tried Them With a Field Glass and Fined Them by Mail.

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 27.—Magistrate Joseph F. Weeks of Pleasantville, who issued practically all the warrants for the arrest of alleged election crooks here during the reform movement, will face the October Grand Jury on the charge of "corruptly demanding and extorting" illegal costs from automobile owners whose arrest he procured and whom he fined by mail. After a hearing yesterday before Magistrate John Carver, himself a terror to speeding motorists for years, Weeks was held in \$500 bail on two complaints. The Camden Motor Club is pressing the charges.

Weeks' plan, according to the State authorities, was to seat himself on his front porch with his constable and spot autoists as they shot along the shore road. He did not trouble to make arrests at the time, but used field glasses to get their license numbers. The next day the alleged speed law breaker would receive a polite note from the squire saying that the motorist had exceeded the speed limit and must appear and pay a fine of \$15 and \$25 in costs to stop further process. How many complied is not known, but there have been numerous complaints. Three men who had been fined thus appeared as witnesses to-day.

Harry Humphries, a lumber dealer of 413 Cooper street, Camden, offered in court a letter signed by Squire Weeks in which he was charged with exceeding the speed limit on July 20 and told to appear on July 29 and pay the \$16.50 to avoid further trouble. Humphries paid the money under protest. He testified that a witness, were present, although Weeks' "costs" assessments were put down as witness fees. The motorist asserted that he was found guilty and fined without having had a hearing.

J. Winton Schwartz of 1601 North Tenth street, Philadelphia, told a similar story, adding that he had been fined \$15 and \$25 and receipt he was told to write to Trenton, although the Squire did not mention anybody there who would answer such a request.

Dr. Harry H. Grace, president of the Camden Motor Club, declared after the hearing that the club intends to break up "this graft game in Pleasantville." He said: "We have taken this action on behalf of the State motor vehicle department and with the sanction of State Automobile Commissioner Smith."

After Weeks was bailed he said he would sue Grace for false arrest.

## WANTS JEWISH POLICEMEN.

Captain in One of Cohen's Precincts Thinks They Are Essential in Brownsville.

Brownsville, the largest Jewish settlement in the world for its area, according to Capt. Isaac Frank of the Brownsville police station, is pleased by the action of Police Commissioner Waldo in sending the new Jewish inspector, Henry Cohen, to that district. Serving under the inspector are Capt. Frank, Lieut. Max Nozreier, who does desk duty at the Brownsville station, and several patrolmen, among them Joseph Frank, Lieut. Abraham Hoffman. Brownsville has no sergeant, but he hopes to get one. Then the various grades from inspector to patrolman will be represented among the Jews on the force.

"The Jewish population in the Brownsville precinct is upward of 150,000," said Capt. Frank last night. "Considering its area it is the largest Jewish settlement in the United States and also in the world, for although there may be more Jews in Russia and other European countries, in any of those countries there is no single settlement so large as here. Now Brownsville is really a part of Brownsville. The combined populations would be probably 250,000."

"In the Brownsville schools, with the opening of the September term it is figured that 45,000 Jewish children will be in attendance. And Brownsville, as you know, is growing all the time. Jewish speaking policemen are essential in the district."

## IRONWORKERS TO STRIKE.

Want a Fifty Hour Week, More Money and Union Recognition.

The members of the Architectural Ironworkers' Association, who have made demands on the Employing Architectural Ironworkers' Association for a fifty hour working week, a minimum wage scale of 26 cents an hour and recognition of the union, held a mass meeting yesterday at the Labor Temple, Eighty-fourth street and Second avenue, to arrange for the enforcement of the demands, which are made on behalf of 2,500 ironworkers. The Architectural Ironworkers' Union as well as the Housepainters and Bridgemen's Union is affiliated with the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers against the members of which the National Erectors Association declared the open shop some years ago and the main demand is for the closed shop.

The Employing Architectural Ironworkers' Association has refused the demands and it was said will have the support of the Iron League, the members of which employ the housepainters, who erect the iron beams and other iron work for buildings. The architectural ironworkers make iron staircases, fire escapes, awnings, railings, guards, iron ornamental work and other appliances for fireproof buildings but have nothing to do with the erection of the work.

In the meeting yesterday it was decided to order strikes against individual members of the employers' association instead of declaring a general strike. Daniel Haberman, business agent of the union, said its members are on strike in the shops of Lieberman & Sanford, Fifty-seventh street near Eleventh avenue, and the East Side Iron Works, 167 Park avenue, and strikes had gone into effect in several smaller shops which began to do work for these firms but were declared off when this work was discontinued. According to Business Agent Haberman the housepainters will support the architectural ironworkers in enforcing their demands.

The men want recognition of the union and better wages. He continued: "At present the wages range from \$12.50 to \$17.50 a day except in a few cases where especially skilled men are getting \$18 and \$19 a week. A number of the independent firms have granted the demands and signed agreements with the union."

## BIG FIVE WON'T PICK.

Is Going to Let the Sheriff Fight in Hudson County Be a Scramble.

The Big Five, the combination which has believed itself to be leading the Democratic organization in Hudson county as the successor of Robert Davis, for many years the county boss, has abandoned the idea of picking out a candidate for the shrievalty nomination and will recommend to the county committee that none of the candidacies of men now in the field be endorsed for the primary election.

The Big Five favors the idea of a free for all race at the primaries and if its programme is carried out there is going to be plenty of fun. The quintet consists of Sheriff James J. Kelly, County Register John J. McMahon, City Clerk Michael E. Fagan of Jersey City, Patrick R. Griffin, the Hoboken Democratic leader, and James Hennessy, chairman of the county committee.

McMahon favored the candidacy of former Mayor George B. Bergkamp of Hoboken. Griffin stuck out for former Mayor Adolph Lankers of Hoboken, and Kelly, Fagan and Hennessy lined up for former Sheriff Carl H. Ruempfer. Other avowed candidates in the field are Under Sheriff N. Peter Wodin, former Mayor Emil Groth of Union Hill and Felix E. Tumulty of Jersey City. The action of the Big Five in declining to give any particular aspirant for the nomination its endorsement will probably result in the retirement of former Mayor Bergkamp from the race. Mr. Ruempfer does not relish the idea of participating in a general scramble for the nomination without the backing of the powers that at least think they are. For some time Representative Eugene F. Kinkaid has been busy with much success working up a sentiment favorable to the candidacy of Lankers.

## CRUEL TO A HORSE.

Milk Wagon Driver Fined \$25 by Magistrate House.

A citizen called Traffic Policeman Spellman's attention to a fallen horse on Seventy-first street near Broadway yesterday morning. The animal had been drawing a milk delivery wagon belonging to the Dairy Produce Company at 408 and 408 West Forty-fifth street, and was being driven by Charles Reitter, who lives at 121 Lewis street, Union Hill, N. J. So weak was the animal that it was unable to assume an upright position in its own strength.

When the policeman and the driver got it on its feet, the animal keeled over again. "It was plainly a case of starvation," Policeman Spellman told Magistrate House in the West Side court yesterday when he arraigned Reitter on a charge of cruelty to animals. "The poor horse was in such an emaciated condition that its hip bones seem ready to break out through the flesh and the ribs could be easily counted through the hide," said Spellman.

Reitter, who was accompanied to court by Supt. Crowley of the dairy company, pleaded guilty to the charge. He admitted having driven the horse five blocks when the animal dropped on him. He said he had five cans of milk on the wagon.

"Well, I think it is a case of gross cruelty," said the Magistrate. "A big concern like yours working for could well afford to have good horses. They should be ashamed. You also were well aware of the horse's condition, so I'm going to fine you \$25 and I think that even then I am lenient with you."

## KILLED WHEN GUN EXPLODED.

Campier Tried to Drive Out a Jammed Shell by Shooting Off Another.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Aug. 27.—Joseph M. Lohman, 19 years old, of 189 Second avenue, New York city, died in the White Plains Hospital this evening from injuries received to-day when a gun he was handling exploded. William Whalen, 22, of 275 Hudson street, New York, who stood within ten feet of the gun when it exploded, was also badly injured. He is also in the White Plains Hospital, but will recover.

Lohman and Whalen came to White Plains three weeks ago and started camping in the Silver Lake woods. This morning Lohman tried to take an exploded shell from his gun, and finding that it could not be moved he pushed the shell back into the barrel. The gun then fired and inserted another shell, with the intention of clearing the gun. As soon as the trigger was pulled there was an explosion which threw the gun into the air and the ground. Whalen was able to go for a doctor.

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## SEEK MAN WHO CRIED "FIRE"

\$300 REWARD FOR PERSON WHO STARTED THEATRE PANIC.

Proprietor of Moving Picture House Where Many Were Killed During Theatre Fire. There Was Fire. Banned. All Law's Requirements Complied With.

CANONSBURG, Pa., Aug. 27.—Rewards have been offered for the arrest and conviction of the person who cried "Fire" in the Morgan Opera House here last night, causing a panic in which 26 persons were trampled to death and at least forty others hurt.

A report was circulated to-night that a suspect had been arrested. In less than five minutes 1,000 persons started on a run for the little lockup, where they were told that it was all a mistake and that no arrest had been made. Canonsburg has not yet recovered from the shock of the calamity. The town is full of people. Street cars and trains brought in 50,000 persons this afternoon. Many of them hurried to the opera house to search for souvenirs. Stickpins, finger rings, bracelets, watch chains and wearing apparel of all sorts were found in and about the building. Several fights took place among the souvenir seekers, and the police were called to quell the disturbances. Early this morning the police were called to prevent people from tearing boards from the sides of the building.

There are still 32 persons hurt in the stampede under the doctors' care. Most of the dead have been identified and the bodies removed to their homes. A score of funerals will take place to-morrow and Tuesday.

The coroner's jury arrived in Canonsburg from Washington this afternoon and began an unofficial inquiry. Members of the jury to-night declared themselves ready to make a rigid investigation and to place the blame on those responsible. The formal inquest will not begin until Thursday.

The police to-day declared that they had sufficient evidence to convince them that the cry of "fire" which caused the panic was started by two boys in the gallery, and that they probably would be taken into custody before to-morrow. In a statement to-night J. E. Ferguson, manager of the theatre, said: "There was no fire of any kind and the panic began in the rear of the house. No fuse burned out, and what damage occurred to the film screen was repaired. The film broke and the light showing through the wire screened curtain gave the appearance of fire. All those who lost their lives were caught in the crush near the foot of the stairs. Had they remained in their seats and retired in the usual manner all could have withdrawn safely through regular channels, including a rear stairway and fire exits."

"The building was approved by inspectors and had every facility required by law."

It will offer a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the man or boy who cried "fire" and is responsible for this horrible disaster. The theatre will be closed indefinitely and I will do my utmost to aid the coroner and others in their official investigations.

"One performance had just been concluded and persons were leaving the hall, with others coming up the stairs for the second show. My box office had sold 714 tickets, and we believe fully 100 persons were in the stairways coming in when the panic began."

John McCullough, the moving picture operator, had just thrown the title of the next series of pictures on the screen. "A Little Child Shall Lead Them" when the film exploded and his asbestos cabinet seemed to be filled with flame. The audience was unaware of the accident until the West Side court yesterday when he arraigned Reitter on a charge of cruelty to animals.

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## ALDERMAN CHASES A PIG.

Three Hundred Join Dotzler in Pursuit That Ends in River.

Jacob Gamm has a farm at Winfield, L. I. And on that farm there is a sow. Not so very long ago a stork flew into Gamm's piggery and left six little pigs, five of which grew fast and corpulent, while the sixth developed muscle instead of pork and became quite athletic. In stock yard circles such a piglet is known as a "skip."

Accordingly when Farmer Gamm got a postal from Alderman Frank J. Dotzler last week setting forth that the Frank J. Dotzler Association was going to hold an outing on Tuesday and wanted a pig for a \$20 prize greased pig contest Gamm promptly delivered the unporkly pig at the club rooms, at 244 Third street, on Saturday night.

The pig, carefully crated, listened quietly to the final arrangements for the outing which were being made and incidentally learned that a political club room was no place for a pig and that on the next morning a committee of six, including the Alderman, would transfer him to the lumber yard at the foot of Third street until the arrival of the steamer Isabel on Tuesday, which would take all to Duer's Grove, at Whitestone Landing.

No yesterday morning Alderman Dotzler and his five committeemen arrived at the club rooms and made ready to remove the pig. Three of the pig removing committee are portly and with their clothes on average over 300 pounds each. They—Jake Probst, Bill Butler and Jake Roseman—were assigned to the crate, while the Alderman and the other two brought up in the rear.

Down Third street went the procession, practically unnoticed for the pig is not a favorite dish on Third street, but as the committee passed Ober Ponsky's hot corn boiler, just off Avenue C, one of the lower legs of the crate loosened and out squirmed the pig.

Then the wildest dream of a moving picture man occurred. Three hundred guests ran out and came barging with tripped and thrown the city father. Aside from two pushcarts being upset nothing of note occurred until the East River was reached. Right onto the recreation pier went the pig and right after him went the Alderman. Dotzler was gaining rapidly, and when the end of the stringpiece was reached he would have had his quarry had he known that pigs' tails don't always stay in the rear. And as the Alderman triumphantly hooked his fingers into the curl the curl didn't stay, and of course one can't hook one's fingers to a straight tail. A search in a rowboat was made later, but the tide had taken the pig out of sight.

Up to a late hour last night the pig had not been located. He was seven months old, weighed 92 pounds and had brown eyes.

## HIS CHECK PUT BACK.

Flesh Bitten From Man's Face Grafted Back Into Place.

A Bellevue Hospital ambulance surgeon had an opportunity last night to perform an unusual plastic operation in grafting a row at a birthday party preceded it were those. Peter Locolle, who is a laborer and lives at 263 Stanton street with his wife and three children, was 27 years old yesterday, and to celebrate the occasion he arranged for a party at his home. One of the guests, Charles Thomas Raincheck, a laborer, who lives at 263 Stanton street, became noisy, and Locolle requested him not to speak so loudly. A fight followed.

As Locolle and Raincheck were rolling around on the floor the latter got a firm hold on his host's cheek and bit a piece from it about the size of a twenty-five cent piece. In the meantime one of the guests ran out and came barging with a Rittenberg of the Union Market station. Rittenberg sent in a call to Bellevue Hospital, which brought Dr. Ridge in an ambulance.

"Where is the piece that belongs in this cheek?" asked the surgeon after he had examined the wound.

Several of the guests declared that Raincheck had pocketed it and they demanded of him that he give it up. Raincheck refused, whereupon he was sat upon and relieved of the missing portion of Locolle's cheek. Dr. Ridge, equipped with an antiseptic and sewed it back into place. He thought that it would stay there all right without giving any trouble. Raincheck was locked up in the Union Market station.

## SHOT A REBELLING FARMHAND.

Started for His Employer With a Scythe and Met a Double Barreled Gun.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Aug. 27.—Charles De Chimony, 75 years old, a well to do farmer of Berchelle Park, was arrested to-day on a charge of felonious assault upon one of his farmhands, Karina Stuper. The farmer says that he acted in self-defence, for Stuper was following him to the house with a scythe after threatening to cut him in two.

It seems that Stuper refused to do certain pieces of work around the farmhouse when requested to do so by De Chimony and the farmer's reasoning had no effect, so he discharged him. Then Stuper grabbed the scythe. De Chimony started for the house with the farmhand close behind. About five yards from the door the farmer called to his daughter to hand him his shotgun in a hurry. The gun was standing in the doorway and was handed to him at once.

Stuper saw what the farmer was about to do. He turned, dropping the scythe, and started to run, but it was too late. The farmer was very much excited and pulled the trigger of the double barreled shotgun. Stuper was only about twenty feet away and got the full dose of spread shot.

Justice Bratt put De Chimony under \$1,000 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury. The farmer was allowed to go to his own bail. He has considerable property in his name.

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## YOUNG GANGSTERS BATTLE.

Stone Throwing, Small Warriors Employ Ashcan Covers as Shields.

Residents in the vicinity of St. Mary's Park, The Bronx, are missing their ashcan covers and every now and then the telephone rings at the Alexander avenue police station and tells of a broken window pane.

This all comes about because the St. Ann's avenue gang has been battling with the Beckman avenues. The youngsters, for none of them is over 15 years old, believe that an ashcan cover makes the best kind of a shield and the broken windows are credited to the stones that are thrown wide of the shields.

Yesterday afternoon fifty of the St. Ann's in their Sunday best and some carrying ashcan covers swooped down upon a group of the Beckman avenues. Instantly Beckman avenue filled with its juvenile warriors and stones were thrown volley for volley.

The battle was waged nicely until a rock smashed the window of John O'Brien's grocery at 360 Beckman avenue and the grocer telephoned for the police.

Around came the reserves and in a few minutes the avenue was more or less cleared of small boys. Out of a possible eighty the police arrested three, who said they were Morwitz, Swanson, 8 years old; George Lewis, 14 years old of 346 Beckman avenue and Henry Pape, 10 years old, of 320 Beckman avenue. They were bailed out by their parents, who declared that their boys never threw stones, but nevertheless they will be arraigned in the Children's Court this morning.

## KILLED IN A BRAWL.

Barroom Disturber Dies of Hemorrhage When He Knocks Him Down.

The third recent brawl in a saloon after legal selling hours which resulted in a death occurred yesterday in a saloon at Third avenue and 128th street. As in the other cases the police made no arrest for violation of the liquor law.

Joseph Rominger, a chef, of 165 East 128th street, entered the saloon yesterday morning at about 3 o'clock. He ordered a glass of beer, according to his story to Coroner Hollestein, and was talking to the bartender when a man in the place, who was Joseph Benny of 168 East 128th street, interrupted his talk with a complaint about hard luck. Benny said he was a carpenter and could not get a job no matter how hard he tried.

Rominger sympathized with him, he says, and bought Benny a beer. Then Benny, who had been drinking, monopolized the conversation so that Rominger walked away. An hour later, when he heard he had killed Benny, he gave him self up. Dr. Lehane, the coroner's physician, performed an autopsy on Benny's body and found he had died of a cerebral hemorrhage caused by a fall. Rominger was committed to the Tombs to await the inquest.



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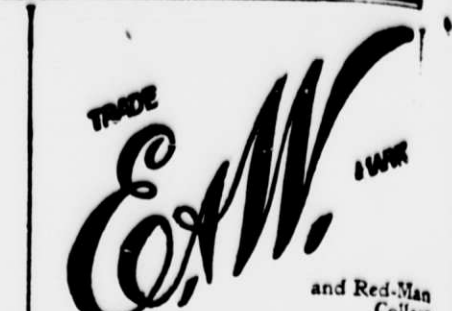
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